UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

PHILIP SCHWAB, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

VS.

RESEARCH TRIANGLE INSTITUTE doing business as RTI INTERNATIONAL.,

NOTICE OF SPECIAL APPEARANCE

Civil Action No. 1:25-cv-481-AU- JEP

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that J. Gerard Stranch, IV of the firm of Stranch, Jennings & Garvey, PLLC hereby enters a notice of special appearance as counsel for Plaintiff Philip Schwab in the above-captioned matter, in association with Local Civil Rule 83.1(d) counsel, Troy D. Shelton.

I certify that I will submit any document to Local Civil Rule 83.1(d) counsel for review prior to filing the document with the court.

Respectfully submitted, this the 25th day of August, 2025.

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